## APPENDIX J

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, MONTANA

2015 COMPENDIUM: 36 CFR 1.7(b)

# DESIGNATIONS, CLOSURES, PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED UNDER THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TITLE 36 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 1

Under the provisions of 16 United States Code, Section 3, and Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, the following Superintendent's orders (compendium) are established for Glacier National Park. Unless otherwise noted, these orders apply in addition to the regulations contained in Parts 1-7 of Title 36 CFR.

| Approved:  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Paul Austin Chief, Division of Visitor and Resource Protection | 6/3/15<br>Date |
| Jeff Mow<br>Superintendent                                     | 6/3/15<br>Date |

Rev 06/2015

#### **SECTION 1.4 DEFINITIONS**

Bear Spray – Also known as bear deterrent or bear repellent. Bear spray is a chemical formula designed specifically to deter aggressive or attacking bears. It must be registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and individual states. It must be commercially manufactured and labeled as "Bear Spray". Bear spray must contain between 1% to 2% of the active ingredients capsaicin and related capsaicinoids.

Electronic Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD) - Also known as a Segway, is a device that has two non-tandem wheels, is self-balancing, and is designed to transport only one person with an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 12-1/2 miles an hour. It is defined as a motor vehicle in 36 CFR 1.4.

Service Animals - are defined in 28 CFR 36.104 as, Service animal means any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the purposes of this definition. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the individual's disability. Examples of work or tasks include, but are not limited to, assisting individuals who are blind or have low vision with navigation and other tasks, alerting individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to the presence of people or sounds, providing non-violent protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, assisting an individual during a seizure, alerting individuals to the presence of allergens, retrieving items such as medicine or the telephone, providing physical support and assistance with balance and stability to individuals with mobility disabilities, and helping persons with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsive or destructive behaviors. The crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this definition.

## SECTION 1.5 CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS

(a)(1) The following schedule of visiting hours, public use limits, and area closures are established for reasons of public health and safety, protection of environmental and scenic values, and protection of natural and cultural resources:

## i) Roads:

- A) From June 15 through Labor Day, the following sections of the Going-to-the-Sun Road are closed to bicycle use between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
  - 1) From the Apgar turnoff at the south end of Lake McDonald to Sprague Creek Campground.
  - 2) Eastbound from Logan Creek to Logan Pass.

Bicyclists will be advised of this closure by the posting of signs.

- B) All roads are subject to temporary closures as indicated by signs or other means of notification for administrative purposes, wildlife protection, or during periods of adverse weather, natural disaster, or other emergency.
- C) All roads in the park except the Going-to-the-Sun Road from West Glacier to the Lake McDonald Lodge turnoff will be closed seasonally by snow. Visitors will be advised of these closures by the posting of signs and the presence of gates.
- D) Roads closed to motor vehicles may have limits placed on non-motorized visitor use at any time, location, or season for reasons consistent with Section 1.5(a). During these closures, signs will be placed near vehicle barricades identifying the restrictions appropriate to the conditions. Unless posted, acceptable visitor use of closed roads includes foot traffic, bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, similar devices, and skiing and

- snowshoeing. (Refer to 2.16(c) for stock use).
- E) 1) Operating any mechanized conveyance over snow on a closed road is prohibited. Visitors will be advised of this restriction by the posting of signs. Service and administrative roads are closed to non-official vehicles and will be so designated by signs and/or locked gates
- F) The Flathead Ranger Station Road is closed to motor vehicle traffic beyond the junction of the Apgar Lookout Trailhead Road. Bicycles are permitted on that portion of the roadway that is closed to motor vehicle traffic unless otherwise posted.
- G) The Grist Road is closed to motor vehicle traffic between Sherwood Lodge and the Fish Creek Road. Bicycles are permitted on that portion of the abandoned roadbed that is closed to motor vehicle traffic unless otherwise posted.

## ii) Trails, Campgrounds and Areas:

- A) Trails, campgrounds and other areas of the park may be temporarily closed when conditions exist which may cause excessive environmental damage or pose unacceptable risks to visitor safety.
- B) The use of any type of non-motorized wheeled conveyance (i.e. canoe dolly, cart, etc.) anywhere in the backcountry is prohibited. Wheelchairs as defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may be used by persons with disabilities.
- C) For the purpose of public health and sanitation, all entry into the public water intake system located at Logan Pass is prohibited.

## iii) Wildlife Protection:

- A) The use of elk bugles, varmint calls, audio attractants, or other artificial or natural means of attracting or disturbing wildlife (including rattling antlers, verbal bugling imitations, or wolf howling imitations) is prohibited (unless specifically approved by the Superintendent).
- B) To protect Harlequin Duck nesting habitat, all vessel use is prohibited on Upper McDonald Creek, from the motor vehicle bridge across the McDonald Creek inlet at the head of Lake McDonald up-stream to the Mineral Creek confluence, from April 1 to September 30.
- C) To protect nesting bald eagle activity, the following temporary restrictions will be instituted as defined by the Bald Eagle Operational Plan:
  - 1) The Lake McDonald bald eagle closure will begin with the onset of nesting activity by the resident bald eagle pair (usually early March). The closure will remain in place until May 15, unless nest failure is detected. Vessels are prohibited north of Kelly Camp and Sprague Creek. (approximately the upper third of the lake), pedestrian traffic is prohibited along both banks of Upper McDonald Creek downstream of the motor vehicle bridge to the lake inlet, and along the shore from the inlet to points designated southeast of McDonald Ranger Station and just north of the McDonald Lodge Complex.
  - 2) The St Mary Lake bald eagle closure will begin with the onset of nesting activity by the resident bald eagle pair (usually early April). The closure will remain in place until the chicks reach 4 weeks in age, as determined by biological technicians (usually mid-June), or nest failure is detected. Vessels east of the Rising Sun boat launch and pedestrian traffic along the south shoreline of St Mary Lake between the Red Eagle trail and the St Mary Lake trail are prohibited.
- D) To protect seasonal habitat and congregation of grizzly bears the following two off trail areas of the park may be temporarily closed to public travel based upon staff observations

of grizzly bear concentrations as defined by the Bear Management Plan:

- 1) Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel Bear Management Area which is defined as all areas above the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail east of Ptarmigan Falls, above the Many Glacier Hotel access trail between the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail and the Hotel T, and above the Many Glacier Road east of the Hotel T and Appekuny Creek to the Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel ridgeline.
- 2) The Apgar Mountains with the exception of the Apgar Lookout Trail and Flathead Ranger Station Road.
- E) To protect rare mountain capshell limpet, all water entry into Lost Lake is prohibited. This includes, but not limited to, swimming, bathing, wading, fishing (except from shore), and boat launching.
- F) To protect seasonal habitat for congregating bighorn sheep and mountain goats (important for post-winter survival and pre-birthing security), as well as the likelihood of grizzly bear presence, the following off-trail area of the park may be temporarily closed to public travel based upon staff observations: 1) Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel Bear Management Area which is defined as all areas above the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail east of Ptarmigan Falls, above the Many Glacier Hotel access trail between the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail and the Hotel T, and above the Many Glacier Road east of the Hotel T and Appekuny Creek to the Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel ridgeline.
- G) To protect ungulates from disturbance on winter ranges within Glacier National Park, the following areas are closed to off-trail travel from December 1 to May 15, and will be defined using recognizable landmarks and/ or GPS UTM waypoints using NAD83 Datum. Signs will be posted at public access points describing the affected area and dates of closure.
  - 1) In the North Fork area, the outer boundaries of the closures are defined as:
    - i) From the normal high water mark at the Camas Road Bridge over the North Fork River, then north along the normal high water mark along the North Fork River to Logging Creek, then east along Logging Creek to the inside North Fork Road, then south along the Inside North Fork Road to Dutch Creek, then south to the Camas Road at the pullout at UTM 714880E, 5389944N, then west along the Camas Road back to the Camas Road Bridge over the North Fork River. The Camas Road and Inside North Fork Road are not affected by this closure. The North Fork River is not affected by this closure. The Logging Creek Ford trail from the North Fork River to the Logging Ranger Station is not affected by this closure.
  - 2) In the Lake McDonald area, the outer boundaries of the closures are defined as:
    - i) In the Belton Hills, from the South Boundary Trail at the Old Belton Bridge then north to UTM 281927E, 5378827N, then east along the 5600 feet contour line as shown on the USGS 1:24000 topographical map to UTM 285804E, 5376704N, then south to the junction of the Lincoln Creek Trail and the South Boundary Trail, then west along the South Boundary Trail to the Old Belton Bridge. The South Boundary Trail will remain open during this closure, but no off-trail travel is permitted.
    - ii) In the Apgar Mountains, from UTM 708544E, 5387752N, then east to UTM 709473E, 5387591N, then southeast to UTM 710188E, 5387193N, then south to UTM 713696E, 5383463N, then west to UTM 712126E, 5382604N, then along the normal high water mark on the east side of the North Fork River, back to UTM 708544E, 5387752N. The North Fork River is not affected by this closure.
  - 3) In the St. Mary area, the outer boundaries of the closures are defined as:

- i) In the St. Mary area starting at the park boundary along Divide Creek southwest to UTM 321436E, 5401426N southwest to Red Eagle Trailhead at UTM 320445E, 5400750N then along the northeast St. Mary Lake shore north to St. Mary Campground UTM 320410E, 5403116N then back south along Divide Creek. The Going-To-The-Sun Road, St. Mary Visitor Center, St. Mary Campground (including the trail between the campground and visitor center), 1913 Ranger Station Road, St. Mary Residence and Maintenance Compound access roads are not affected by this closure.
- ii) In the Two Dog Flats area, starting along the north shore of St. Mary Lake from the foot of the lake to UTM 316787E, 5398097N then north to the 5,000' elevation this includes both sides of the roadway. The Going-To-The-Sun Road is not affected by this closure.
- iii) In the Rising Sun area starting at a point along the Going-To-The-Sun Road UTM 315793E, 5397202N then along the north shore of St. Mary Lake to UTM 314110E, 5396154N then north of the roadway approximately ½ mile. The Going-To-The-Sun Road, Rising Sun access roads (Picnic area, boat ramp, campground, and concession), and Otokomi Trial are not affected by this closure.
- 4) Refer to the map section at the end of this chapter.

## H) To protect wildlife the following activities are prohibited:

- 1) Willfully approaching, remaining, viewing, or engaging in any activity within 100 yards of bears or wolves, or within 25 yards of any other wildlife including nesting birds; or within any distance that disturbs, displaces, or otherwise interferes with the free unimpeded movement of wildlife, or creates or contributes to a potentially hazardous condition or situation.
- 2) Failure to remove one's self to prescribed distances during inadvertent, accidental, casual or surprise encounters with wildlife.
- 3) Failure to comply as directed by NPS staff (employees, volunteers, or agents) engaged in administering wildlife management operations or managing wildlife viewing opportunities.
- 4) The prohibitions in this paragraph do not apply to persons who are in compliance with written protocol approved by the Superintendent; in accordance with the terms and conditions of a permit from the Superintendent or park personnel acting within the scope of approved management activities.

## iv) Fire Closures:

A) Any portion of the park may be temporarily closed, due to wildfire and/or fire management activities, which pose a threat to visitor safety.

## v) Motorboats and motor vessels:

- A) For the purpose of providing for the safety of the general public using lakeshore areas for swimming and other similar activities a "NO WAKE ZONE" has been established 300 feet north of the south shore of Lake McDonald from the Going-to-the-Sun Road to the lake outlet at Lower McDonald Creek. Marker buoys and signs will be placed annually to delineate the zone. Refer to map section at end of chapter.
- B) All motor vessels are prohibited on Lower McDonald Creek from the Lake McDonald outlet to the Quarter Circle Bridge.

- C) A permit is required to launch all motorized or trailered vessels in all waters within Glacier National Park. Upon each entry into the park all motorized or trailered vessels will obtain a launch permit prior to launching their vessel and have it displayed on the dash of the tow vehicle while the watercraft is in use. All vessels must be certified to be free of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) to qualify for a launch permit. An inspection may be required at any time. Vessels and boat trailers found to be at risk of AIS infestation must be decontaminated and re-inspected to qualify for a launch permit. Infested vessels may be quarantined for up to 30 days. Park landowners may obtain a permit for the calendar year for vessels operated and kept solely on Lake McDonald. Vessels on Waterton Lake must comply with all launch requirements set by Waterton Lakes National Park. Canada.
- D) A self-certification permit is required to launch non-motorized watercraft (e.g. canoes, kayaks, rowboats, rafts, catarafts) in all waters within Glacier National Park. Upon each entry into the park all of the aforementioned watercraft will be certified free of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) by their users according to the self-certification permit flowchart. The permit will remain in possession of the non-motorized watercraft user while they are on the water. Users not able to certify their watercraft AIS free according to the permit flowchart are required to obtain an inspection at an NPS inspection station. Park landowners may self-certify for a calendar year for non-motorized watercraft kept solely within the park. Vessels on Waterton Lake must comply with all launch requirements set by Waterton Lakes National Park, Canada.
- E) Aquatic Invasive Species such as zebra and quagga mussels present a growing worldwide problem. Impacts from AIS can be extreme and affect ecosystems, recreation, and economics. Aquatic invasive species infestations are generally permanent; prevention is the only good strategy to combat them. Evaluation of habitat suitability and boater use patterns indicates that Glacier National Park is at risk of colonization by additional AIS. As AIS introduction poses a severe threat to the natural biological processes in park waters, a permit requirement has been established to identify and mitigate risks posed by recreational motorboat operators.
- F) Vessels equipped with enclosed ballast tanks that cannot be visually inspected are prohibited on all park waters.

## vi) Area Closures:

- A) The following areas are closed, as posted, to ALL public use and entry for the protection of revegetation projects, existing resident vegetation species and seasonal habitat for congregating bighorn sheep and mountain goats:
  - 1) The "Jones Flat" area at Oberlin Bend on the Going-to-the-Sun Road, extending from the Highline Trailhead at Logan Pass to the Rimrock area, bounded by the Highline Trail and the inside radius of Going-to-the-Sun Road. The Highline Trail is not included within this closure. Refer to map section at end of chapter.
  - 2) The Oberlin Bend area on the Going-to-the Sun Road, extending from Oberlin Peak climbers access trail at Logan Pass to the Rimrock area, bounded by the outside radius of the Going-to-the-Sun Road, the northern perimeter of the Oberlin Peak climbers access route, and the base of Oberlin Peak. The Oberlin Peak climbing route is not located within this closure. Refer to map section at end of chapter.

- 3) The Mount Pollock area at Logan Pass, extending from the Highline Trailhead to the GPS coordinate 48°41'49.01" N 113°42'43.48"W, bounded by the Highline Trail, Going-to-the-Sun Road, and cliff base of Mount Pollock. The Highline Trail is not included within this closure. Refer to map section at end of chapter.
- B) The following areas are closed, as posted, to ALL OFF-TRAIL TRAVEL for the protection of revegetation projects, existing resident vegetation and seasonal habitat for congregating bighorn sheep and mountain goats:
  - 1) The Logan Pass area, which consists of all areas within the following exterior boundaries: Oberlin Peak climber trail, from the trailhead, to Oberlin Peak; Oberlin Peak to Clements Peak; Clements Peak, along Clements Ridge, to the first switchback on the Hidden Lake Trail; first switch back on the Hidden Lake Trail, along the first bench above Hidden Lake, to Reynolds Pass; Reynolds Pass, along the southern edge of the Hanging Garden area, to the cliff wall above the Reynolds Creek valley; and bound by the remainder of the cliff wall, above Reynolds Creek valley, and Going-to-the-Sun Road. Refer to map section at end of chapter. Exceptions:
    - i) The following trails are not included in this closure: Logan Pass Visitor Center walkways, Hidden Lake Trail, Oberlin Peak climber route, Clements Peak climber route and Reynolds Peak climber route.
    - ii) Over snow travel is not included in this closure, so long as travel is NOT conducted over bare ground, rock, or vegetation and all travel is on contiguous snowpack immediately accessible from established trail corridors [see 36 CFR 1.5 (a)(1)(iii)(H) for wildlife distance requirements].
    - iii) Administrative functions and special use or research permitted activities are not included in this closure.
- C) Footgear with felt or other fibrous material on the soles is prohibited in all park waters.
- (a)(2) The following conditions and restrictions are established for specific uses and activities:
  - i) Area and or activity restrictions:
    - A) Bicyclists operating on Park roads or the Apgar bike path, during periods of low visibility, or between sunset and sunrise, must exhibit on the operator or bicycle, a white light that is visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and a red light reflector that is visible at least 200 feet to the rear.
  - ii) Quiet hours:
    - A) Quiet hours in developed areas (including parking areas, cabin, hotel, and employee areas) are established as those hours between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. During quiet hours, the use of generators, portable or fixed motors, or engaging in or conducting any

activity which creates unusual noise or unreasonably disturbs other visitors is prohibited.

- iii) Entering closed areas for research or interpretive activities:
  - A) Areas closed to the general public may be entered by persons or groups only if led or directed by authorized park employees, as approved by the Chief of Visitor and Resource Protection or his/her representative if such use does not compromise safety, environmental, scenic, natural and cultural values.

## iv) Fishing:

- A) The standard park fishing season for all waters in the park is from the third Saturday in May through November 30 except as provided by the following exceptions:
  - 1) Lake fishing open all year.
  - 2) That portion of Waterton Lake within Glacier National Park shall be open to fishing in conformance with the seasons and regulations established by Canada.
  - 3) That portion of Lower Two Medicine Lake that is within Glacier National Park shall be open to fishing in conformance with the seasons and regulations established by the Blackfeet Nation.
- B) To protect spawning cutthroat trout, the Hidden Lake outlet creek and the area extending into Hidden Lake for a radius of 300 feet shall be closed to fishing during the cutthroat trout spawning season. Fishing, boundary waters:
  - 1) When fishing from park lands along the North Fork of the Flathead River, park catch and possession limits, and other fishing regulations contained in this Compendium apply. The area within a 200 yard radius of the mouth of Big Creek is closed to fishing from June 1 through September 30. When fishing from park lands or bridges along the Middle Fork of the Flathead River a Montana fishing license is required and State regulations apply.
- C) Fishing, daily catch and possession limits:
  - Daily catch and possession limits shall not exceed five fish, including no more than: two cutthroat trout, two burbot (ling), one northern pike, two whitefish, five kokanee salmon, five grayling, five rainbow trout, five lake trout. No Bull Trout may be retained.

Exceptions: There is no limit on lake trout taken west of the Continental Divide. There is no limit on lake whitefish taken from Lake McDonald.

- 2) CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING ONLY: All waters west of the Continental Divide (as well as Midvale Creek in the Two Medicine River drainage and Wild Creek in the St.Mary River drainage) are subject to catch-and-release fishing only for cutthroat trout. Cutthroat trout must be handled carefully and released immediately back into the water. However two cutthroat trout may be harvested from Hidden, Evangeline and Camas lakes.
- 3) The catch and possession limit for brook trout is twenty.
- 4) Skin must remain attached so the fish species can be visibly identified. Gills and entrails may be removed in the field, but must be discarded only within the waters where the fish was caught [see 36 CFR 1.5(a)(2)(iv)(F)(1) for backcountry disposal requirements].
- D) Fishing, equipment and bait:
  - 1) Only manmade lures (including flies) that imitate natural bait are permitted in park waters.

- i) All dead or live bait (eg. worms, grasshoppers, etc.); natural or artificial food (eg. corn, marshmallows, etc.) or products that are derivatives of natural foods; chemically treated or processed natural bait (e.g. preserved fish eggs, fish, etc.); and artificial dough, paste or edible baits (e.g. powerbait) are prohibited in park waters with the following exception: bait may be used when fishing in the Two Medicine drainage upstream of the Two Medicine bridge at the Running Eagle Falls parking lot as well as in the Many Glacier Valley upstream of the falls at the outlet of Swiftcurrent Lake.
- ii) Artificial lures may have a scent infused or applied.
- iii) The use of lead sinkers and jigs less than two ounces (approximately 56 grams) in Waterton and Cameron Lakes is prohibited.
- iv) The use of all lead, including weights, lures, jigs, line, etc., associated with fishing is prohibited in Glacier National Park. The only exception to this is in the use of a lead cannon ball weighting more than 2 pounds attached to down rigger cables while fishing with "downriggers."
- v) Snagging fish in park waters or from park lands is prohibited.
- vi) Use of only one fishing pole per person, which must be attended at all times and only used for angling, is permitted.

## E) Fishing, closed waters:

1) The following areas are closed to fishing:

| Area          | Closure   |
|---------------|---|
| North Fork    | Bowman Creek for its entire length above Bowman Lake Logging Creek between Logging Lake and Grace Lake Kintla Creek between Kintla Lake and Upper Kintla Lake Upper Kintla Lake |
| Lake McDonald | Fish Creek (entire length)  |
| Walton        | Coal Creek (entire length) Muir Creek (entire length) Nyack Creek (entire length) Park Creek (entire length) Ole Creek (entire length)  |
| Many Glacier  | Boulder Creek<br>Cracker Lake<br>Kennedy Creek<br>Otatso Creek  |
| Belly River   | Lee Creek North Fork Belly River Slide Lake and the impoundment pond below  |

- All waters within Glacier National Park shall be closed to bull trout fishing. No bull trout shall be retained, and if incidentally caught, shall be immediately released.
- 3) To protect loon nesting activity, upper Howe Lake is closed to fishing from the third Saturday in May to August 1.
- 4) To protect congregating westslope cutthroat trout Bowman Lake from May 1 to June 15 in an area extending 400 yards from shore between the Bowman Lake Ranger Station and the outlet of Bowman Lake is closed to fishing.

## F) Fishing, backcounty entrails disposal:

1) In backcountry waters, fish entrails <u>must be disposed of</u> by puncturing the air bladder and depositing the entrails in deep water of the lake or stream from which they were taken, at a distance of 200 feet or more from any campsite.

## v) Bear Spray:

A) Bear spray may be carried by individuals within Glacier National Park for the strict purpose of protecting one's self or others from bodily harm against aggressive wildlife. It should not be applied to people, tents, packs, other equipment or surrounding area as a repellent.

## vi) Caves:

- A) A permit is required for all cave use in Glacier National Park. In accordance with the Federal Cave Resources Protection Act of 1988, recreational use of undeveloped caves will be governed by a permit system, and cave use will be regulated or restricted if necessary to protect and preserve cave resources. All cave users will obtain a cave use permit from any permit center for entry into caves. The permit can be for several days but must be only for the specific trip and a new permit must be obtained for each subsequent trip. One permit will cover a group with the maximum group size of 6 permitted on any one trip. Entering shall be defined as beyond the mouth of the cave.
- B) As a condition of permit, all persons seeking a permit into Park caves will be required to read and sign a list of protocols and precautions to protect cave resources and help prevent the spread of White Nose Syndrome (WNS) into park caves. White Nose Syndrome is known to destroy bat populations. Permit holders (i.e. party leaders) will ensure all party members comply with the required protocols and precautions.

## C) Types of Cave Permits

 Researcher – a qualified principal investigator must have an approved study plan, file for the NPS Research Application, pass review from our Interdisciplinary Compliance Team, and be subject to all terms of the approved Research Permit. The complete application must be received a minimum of 90 days before the inception of the project. Please see the following sites for details:

> http://www.nps.gov/glac/naturescience/for-researchers.htm https://science.nature.nps.gov/research/ac/ResearchIndex

2) Citizen Science Observer – at least one member of the party must be an experienced caver able to recognize sensitive geologic and natural resources and be able to apply protocols related to WNS precautions inside caves. The applicant will be required to add to the body of information about caves and cave resources by filling out the observation form issued as part of the permit, as well as provide other information determined pertinent to the purpose of the visit (e.g. mapping, feature inventories, etc.). Failure to complete and submit the information will be a violation of the conditions of the permit (36 CFR 1.6) and may result in a violation notice and/or the denial of further permits.

3) Recreationist - Visitor seeking entry into park caves subject to the terms and limitations of an entry permit.

## vii) Unmanned aircraft

a) 1) Launching, landing or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Glacier National Park is prohibited except as approved in writing by the superintendent.

# SECTION 2.1 PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

(a)(4) It is unlawful to gather or cut firewood except in the following areas:

- i) Along the Inside North Fork Road from Dutch Creek to Kintla Lake.
- ii) Along the Bowman Lake Road.
- iii) In the vicinity of backcountry campgrounds allowing wood fires.
- iv) In the vicinity of Saint Mary Campground, from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015
- v) Gathering firewood wrist-size or smaller for use in personal wood fuel camp stoves is allowed where camping is permitted (see Section 2.13 (a)(1) iv).

In the areas listed above, only dead wood on the ground may be collected for use as fuel for campfires. Wood may not be removed from the Park nor may wood from the Park be used for residential heating purposes, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a special permit.

- (b) Leaving a trail or walkway to shortcut between portions of the same trail is prohibited.
- (c)(1) Edible fruits, nuts, and berries may be gathered by hand for personal use and consumption. The allowable limit is one quart per person, per day. The use of bush rakes or other harvesting devices is prohibited. Picking, gathering or harvesting mushrooms is prohibited.

#### **SECTION 2.2 WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

- (d) Lawfully taken and properly tagged wildlife and wildlife parts may be transported through the Park on U.S. Highway No. 2. All other Park roads are closed to transportation of lawfully taken wildlife and wildlife parts, unless specifically approved by issuance of a Glacier National Park Permit to Transport Wildlife. Glacier Park residents may transport lawfully taken wildlife to their place of residence by the shortest Park route without a permit.
- (e) The use of an artificial light to view wildlife anywhere in the park is prohibited.

#### **SECTION 2.3 FISHING**

(d)(8) Fishing from docks and bridges is allowed, unless signs are erected prohibiting such activity.

## **SECTION 2.10 CAMPING AND FOOD STORAGE**

- (b)(8) A Backcountry Use Permit is required for all overnight camping in the backcountry.
- (b)(9) Camping Conditions (frontcountry):
  - i) The following conditions have been established for overnight camping in frontcountry campgrounds:
    - A) Camping in Glacier National Park by any person or party during any calendar year from

- the period of Labor Day through June 30, inclusive, shall not exceed 30 days, either in a single period or combined separate periods,
- B) The intensive public-use season for camping shall be the period July 1 to Labor Day. During this period camping by any person or party shall be limited to a total of 14 days either in a single period or combined separate periods.
- C) Towed units are prohibited in Sprague Creek Campground.
- D) Camping in front country campgrounds is limited to a maximum of eight people per site and a maximum of two vehicles per site when space is available. Unless otherwise designated or upon approval from the campground ranger, campsites are limited to a maximum of two tents per campsite. All vehicles must be parked on the campsite parking pad. Group campsites are limited to a maximum of 24 people per site, unless otherwise posted.
- E) Hiker/Biker campsites will have an eight person limit unless otherwise posted. The number of tents allowed per campsite may vary and limits shall be posted.
- F) Creating or sustaining unreasonable noise between the hours of 10:00p.m. and 6:00a.m. is prohibited. Generator use within campgrounds is permitted only during the hours: 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon 2:00 p.m.; and 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Unreasonable idling of motor vehicles is considered a nuisance and is prohibited. Generator use is prohibited at ALL TIMES in the following campgrounds:
  - 1) Sprague Creek, all sites
  - 2) Rising Sun, sites 49-84
  - 3) Fish Creek, C Loop
  - 4) Two Medicine, sites 1-36
  - 5) Many Glacier, sites 86 100
  - 6) St Mary Campground, A Loop
  - 7) Cutbank Campground, all sites

## (b)(9) Camping Conditions (backcountry):

- ii) The following conditions have been established for overnight camping in designated backcountry campgrounds:
  - A) Backcountry camping party size is limited to a maximum of 12 persons.
  - B) Maximum length of stay in the backcountry is limited to a total of 14 nights during the period of July and August. The authorized camping concessioner (Glacier Wilderness Guides) is exempt from this regulation.
  - C) Food must be prepared and consumed at the designated food preparation area in backcountry campgrounds. No food is permitted in the sleeping area.
  - D) Backcountry use permits shall be valid only for the dates and campgrounds specified on the permit. Unauthorized itinerary changes are prohibited.
  - E) Reserving backcountry campgrounds with the intent of not using a portion of the itinerary is prohibited.
  - F) Violation of any of these camping conditions shall constitute a violation of the terms of the permit and may be grounds for revocation of the permit.
  - G) Backcountry campground limitations for number of parties, number of stock, length of stay, and tent site capacity have been established and are noted by the following symbols:
    - 1 Denotes a one night camping limit during July and August.
    - 2 –Denotes two night camping limit at Elizabeth Lake Head in July and August.

- \* Denotes wood fires (other than personal wood fuel camp stoves) prohibited
- \*\* Denotes a maximum party size of 4 persons per campsite.
  - 0 Under stock; denotes a limitation of 8 stock permitted in the area, but prohibited from being kept there overnight.
  - # Granite Park Campground is reserved for extended itineraries only unless trail and campground closures prohibit extended itineraries.
- ## Reynolds Creek Campground is reserved for extended itineraries only (minimum 3 night trip, no first or last night).
- + Denotes a limit of one stock party per night.
- ++ Round Prairie Campground is reserved for 2 float parties and 1 walk-in party per night. Length of stay is limited to one night.
  - □ Not available to motorized watercraft users
- XX Overnight stock parties traveling the Continental Divide Trail may camp in the Two Medicine area for one-night-only subject to the approval and specific terms and conditions established by the Walton-Two Medicine district ranger or designee regarding location, food storage, impact considerations and other concerns.

## **DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – WEST**

| Campground        | Limits | Campsites ** | Stock + |
|-------------------|--------|--------------|---------|
| North Fork:       |        |              |         |
| Adair             |        | 4            | 8       |
| Akokala Lake      | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Brown Pass        | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Boulder Pass      | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Bowman Lake, head |        | 6            | 8       |
| Grace Lake        |        | 3            | 0       |
| Kintla Lake, head |        | 6            | 8       |
| Logging Lake      |        | 3            | 0       |
| Lower Quartz Lake |        | 4            | 8       |
| Quartz Lake       | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Round Prairie     | * ++   | 3            | 0       |
| Upper Kintla Lake |        | 4            | 8       |

| Lake McDonald: |   |   |   |  |
|----------------|---|---|---|--|
| Arrow Lake     | * | 2 | 8 |  |

| Camas Lake        | *   | 2  | 0  |
|-------------------|-----|----|----|
| Flattop           | *   | 3  | 8  |
| Granite Park      | *1# | 4  | 0  |
| Lake Ellen Wilson | * 1 | 4  | 8  |
| Lincoln Lake      | *   | 3  | 8  |
| Lake McDonald     |     | □2 |    |
| Snyder Lake       | *   | 3  | 8  |
| Sperry            | * 1 | 4  | 0  |
|                   |     |    |    |
| <u>Walton</u>     |     |    |    |
| Beaver Woman Lake |     | 4  | 10 |
| Coal Creek        |     | 2  | 10 |
| Harrison Lake     |     | 3  | 8  |
| Lake Isabel       |     | 2  | 0  |
| Lower Nyack       |     | 2  | 10 |
| Park Creek        |     | 3  | 8  |
| Ole Lake          |     | 2  | 8  |
| Ole Creek         |     | 3  | 8  |
| Upper Park Creek  |     | 3  | 8  |
| Upper Nyack       |     | 2  | 10 |

## **DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – EAST**

| Campground              | Limits | Campsites ** | Stock + |
|-------------------------|--------|--------------|---------|
| Two Medicine Area:      |        |              |         |
| Cobalt Lake             | * 1    | 2            | 0       |
| No Name Lake            | * 1    | 3            | 0       |
| Oldman Lake             | * 1    | 4            | 8       |
| Two Medicine (Auto CG)  |        | 2            | 0 (XX)  |
| Upper Two Medicine Lake | * 1    | 4            | 0       |
| St. Mary Area:          |        |              |         |
| Atlantic Creek          |        | 4            | 8       |
| Gunsight Lake           | *      | 7            | 8       |
| Morning Star Lake       | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Otokomi Lake            | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Red Eagle Lake, foot    |        | 4            | 0       |
| Red Eagle Lake, head    | *      | 4            | 8       |
| Reynolds Creek          | ##     | 2            | 8       |
| Many Glacier Area:      |        |              |         |
| Cracker Lake            | *      | 3            | 0       |
| Many Glacier (Auto CG)  |        | 2            | 0       |
| Poia Lake               | *      | 4            | 8       |
| Slide Lake              |        | 2            | 8       |

| Belly River Area:        |     |   |   |
|--------------------------|-----|---|---|
| Cosley                   | *   | 4 | 8 |
| Elizabeth Lake, foot     | * 1 | 5 | 8 |
| Elizabeth Lake, head     | 2   | 4 | 8 |
| Gable Creek              |     | 4 | 8 |
| Glenns Lake, foot        |     | 4 | 8 |
| Glenns Lake, head        | *   | 3 | 0 |
| Helen Lake               | *   | 3 | 0 |
| Mokowanis Junction       | *   | 5 | 8 |
| Mokowanis Lake           | *   | 2 | 0 |
|                          |     |   |   |
| Goat Haunt Area:         |     |   |   |
| Fifty Mountain           | *   | 5 | 8 |
| Hawksbill                | *   | 2 | 0 |
| Hole in the Wall         | * 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Kootenai Lakes           | *   | 4 | 9 |
| Lake Francis             | * 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Lake Janet               |     | 2 | 8 |
| Stoney Indian Lake       | * 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Waterton River           |     | 5 | 8 |
| Goat Haunt Trail Shelter |     | 7 | 0 |

## (b)(9) Camping Conditions (undesignated):

- iii) The following conditions are established for overnight camping in undesignated campsites during the summer camping season (May 1 to November 20).
  - A) The following regulations apply to approved undesignated camping permits:
    - 1) Party size is limited to a maximum of six campers.
    - 2) Camping is limited to a maximum of two nights at any one campsite.
    - 3) Wood fires (other than personal wood fuel camp stoves) are prohibited.
    - 4) Campsites must be located a minimum of 100 feet from lakes, streams, rivers and other water sources.
    - 5) Campsites must be located a minimum of ½ mile from any trail corridor, designated campground, patrol cabin, fire lookout, roadway, developed area, and out of sight and sound of any trail corridor or other camping party.
    - 6) Stock are not permitted in undesignated campsites.
    - 7) Only one undesignated camping party will be permitted in a specific area on the same night.
    - 8) Reserving undesignated campsites with the intent of not using a portion of the itinerary is prohibited.
    - 9) No camping will be allowed from where US Highway 2 meets the Middle Fork of the Flathead River at Bear Creek to the Walton Ranger Station along the river corridor. No stopping within ¼ mile above or below the Goat Lick Viewpoint.

## (b)(9) Camping Conditions (Nyack/Coal Creek):

- iv) The following conditions have been established for undesignated camping in the Nyack/Coal Creek Camping Zone:
  - A) Definition: The outer boundaries of the camping area are defined as follows:

Beginning at the confluence of Nyack Creek and the Middle Fork of the Flathead River:

Following the south bank of Nyack Creek to the Boundary Trail crossing, westward along the Boundary Trail to the Nyack Creek Trail junction, eastward along the Nyack Creek Trail to the crossing of the side creek just below the lower Nyack Campground (UTM 299.2E, 5373.2N). Follow this drainage until no longer discernible, then proceed to the ridge high point marked 7972 on the 1:100,000 USGS topographic map (UTM 300.5E, 5377.9N). From this point proceed to a ridge point marked 8340, just east of the summit of Mt. Thompson (UTM 303.5E, 5380.4N).

From this point proceed to the ridge point southeast of Red Eagle Pass marked 7885 on the 1:100,000 map (UTM 309.5E, 5382.1N). From this point proceed to the summit of Razoredge Mountain, then along the ridge eastward to the Continental Divide.

Follow the divide south to McClintock Peak, then west to the summit of Tinkham Mountain, then south to the summit of Mt. Phillips, then south to the summit of Caper Peak, then southeast to the summit of Mt. St. Nicholas, then westward to the western summit of Double Mountain marked 6003 on the 1:100,000 map (UTM 303.7E, 5364.0N). From this point proceed to a point on the Middle Fork of the Flathead River directly across from the confluence of Stanton Creek and the river. Refer to map located at end of chapter.

No undesignated camping will be allowed in Martha's Basin Area of the Nyack Coal Creek camping area.

- B) Backpackers: May camp anywhere in the zone, with these restrictions:
  - 1) Wood fires (other than personal wood fuel camp stoves) are prohibited.
  - 2) Campsites must be located at least 100 feet from streams and lakes, at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from any patrol cabin or designated campground, and at least 50 yards and, out of sight and sound of any trail corridor.
  - 3) Camping is limited to a maximum of two nights at any one site; a total of six nights in the zone.
  - 4) Maximum group size is limited to six, except for the Glacier Guides who have a group limit of eight.
  - 5) Maximum capacity per night for the zone is 88 campers (includes both designated and undesignated campsites).
- v) Stock Users: May camp only at Beaver Woman, Coal Creek, Lower Nyack and Upper Nyack with ten head of stock maximum.

## (b)(9) Camping Conditions (winter):

- vi) The following conditions have been established for undesignated backcountry camping during the winter season (November 20 to May 1):
  - A) The winter backcountry camping season is designated as the period from November 20 to May 1. All backcountry campsites are considered undesignated sites during this time period. The following special regulations apply during this period:
    - 1) Wood fires (other than personal wood fuel camp stoves) are prohibited in all backcountry areas, as well as unplowed auto campgrounds and picnic areas.
    - 2) Party size shall not exceed 12 persons.

- 3) Length of stay shall be limited to two nights for any one campsite.
- 4) Camping is prohibited (unless in a designated campground) within sight or sound of trail corridors, developed areas, sensitive wildlife areas <u>and</u> at least 100 feet from rivers, lakes, streams and water sources.
- 5) In addition, early fall or lingering spring snowpack may result in winter camping regulations being imposed in individual campgrounds, especially those at higher elevations outside of the above time period.
- (d) Food and garbage storage to minimize the presence of actual or potential attractants:
  - (1) The following regulations are established regarding the disposal of garbage:
    - i) All garbage containers placed outside of buildings will be of bear-proof construction or placed inside bear-proof enclosures. Dumpsters will have latching lids and will be kept latched at all times except when the garbage is being deposited or emptied. Leaving garbage out in the open, or overfilling garbage containers so that they do not properly close and latch is prohibited.
  - (2) The following regulations are established regarding the storage of food, garbage and equipment used to cook or store food in developed areas:
    - i) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food must be kept sealed in a vehicle, or in a camping unit that is constructed of solid, nonpliable material, or suspended from any NPS designated food hanging device, or secured in any NPS designated storage locker, secured in an Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC) approved bear resistant container or secured in a structure or dwelling, at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed, or prepared for consumption.
  - (3) The following regulations are established regarding the storage of food, garbage and equipment used to cook food in the backcountry:
    - i) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food in designated backcountry campgrounds must be secured at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed or prepared for consumption, in one of the following methods during the period of March 16 through November 30:
      - A) Suspended from the designated NPS food hanging device provided in each campground. In the event that a food hanging device is not serviceable, these items must be suspended at least 10 feet above the ground (from the bottom of the suspended item) and 4 feet horizontally from a tree trunk or other object.
      - B) Secured in an IGBC approved bear resistant container. These containers may be left on the ground but must be at the food hanging device.
      - C) Stock feed (hay cubes, oats, pellets, sweet feed, etc.) must be properly secured as with any other food item. This would include using an IGBC approved bear resistant container. These containers may be left on the ground but must be at either the hitch rail area or at the food hanging device.
    - ii) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food in undesignated backcountry campsites and/or while traveling in the backcountry, must be secured at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed or prepared for consumption, by one of the following methods during the period of March 16 through November 30:

- A) Suspended at least ten feet above the ground (from the bottom of the suspended items) and four feet horizontally from a tree trunk or other object, at least 100 feet from camping/sleeping areas.
- B) Secured in an IGBC approved bear resistant container on the ground, at least 100 feet from the camping/sleeping areas. Required for near or above tree line campsites.
- C) When camping near or above tree line, equipment which is used to cook or store food which cannot fit into a bear resistant container and is clean may be left out on the ground, at least 100 feet from camping/sleeping areas.
- D) Backcountry travelers, outside of campsites, may not leave food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, or equipment used to cook or store food, unattended at any time.
- iii) During the period of December 1 through March 15, these food storage regulations are not in effect, unless specifically mandated based on known wildlife activity.

## (b)(9) Camping Conditions (river corridors):

- vii) The following conditions have been established for undesignated backcountry camping along the North Fork and Middle Fork of the Flathead River.
  - A) The river corridor backcountry camping has no season limits. All backcountry campsites are considered undesignated sites. The following special regulations apply during this period:
    - 1) Fires are allowed only in fire pans supported off the ground. Ash should be dispersed 100 feet from the camping area.
    - 2) Party size shall not exceed 12 persons.
    - 3) Length of stay shall be limited to one night for any one campsite. Parties must move a least one mile each day before re-establishing a new camp.
    - 4) Camping is prohibited (unless in a designated campground) within sight or sound of trail corridors, at least 1 mile from river access sites, campgrounds, cabins or other developed areas.
    - 5) Only one party will be allowed in a given area with spacing being sight and sound distances away.
    - 6) Campsites must be located on durable surfaces including gravel and sand bars.
    - 7) Solid human waste must be packed out in an approved container.

#### **SECTION 2.13 FIRES**

- (a)(1) The following conditions are established concerning lighting or maintaining a fire:
  - i) Open fires are permitted only when contained in established fire rings or grates in campgrounds, picnic areas, residential areas, and designated backcountry campgrounds, where open fires are allowed. Burning permits will be obtained from the Interagency Burn Center for burning other than campfires. Additionally, Glacier National Park Dispatch Center shall be notified.
  - ii) Open fires are prohibited at the following backcountry campgrounds:

| West<br>Backcountry Campgrounds |                   |  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Akokala Lake                    | Granite Park      |  |
| Arrow Lake                      | Lake Ellen Wilson |  |
|                                 | Lincoln Lake      |  |
| Boulder Pass                    | Round Prairie     |  |
| Brown Pass Quartz Lake          |                   |  |
| Camas Lake Snyder Lake          |                   |  |
| Flattop                         | Sperry            |  |
|                                 |                   |  |

#### East **Backcountry Campgrounds** Cobalt Lake Lake Francis Cosley Lake Mokowanis Junction Cracker Lake Mokowanis Lake Elizabeth Lake, Foot Morning Star Lake No Name Lake Fifty Mountain Oldman Lake Glenns Lake, Head Otokomi Lake Gunsight Lake Poia Lake Hawksbill Red Eagle, Foot Red Eagle, Head Helen Lake Hole in-the Wall Stoney Indian Lake Upper Two Medicine Lake Kootenai Lakes

- iii) Open fires are prohibited in all undesignated campsites, including the Nyack/Coal Creek Camping Zone; however, fires are allowed at Lower Nyack, Upper Nyack and Coal Creek Campgrounds.
- iv) A personal <u>wood fuel camp stoves</u> used for food preparation with a combustion area of two (2) quarts or less is allowed in all areas where camping is permitted. Collected wood should be wrist size or smaller. Ash should be dispersed 100 feet from the camping area or dumped in a designated fire-pit where available.

## **SECTION 2.14 SANITATION AND REFUSE**

(b) In non-developed areas solid human waste must be deposited in fixtures provided for that purpose,

buried in a cathole 6"to 8" deep and at least 200' from water, packed out in a disposable biodegradable bag toilet system approved for landfill disposal (WAG bag or similar system), or packed out in a self-contained washable, leak-proof, reusable toilet system.

Along Park lands and waters within the North Fork and Middle Fork of the Flathead Wild and Scenic River corridors, river users must pack out all solid human waste in a disposable biodegradable bag toilet system approved for landfill disposal (WAG bag or similar system), or pack-out human waste in a self-contained washable, leak-proof, reusable toilet system. Disposable biodegradable bags containing human waste must be carried in leak-proof containers while floating.

During winter season (November 20 to May 1) in non-developed areas when a toilet is not accessible, human waste must be either packed out in a disposable biodegradable bag toilet system approved for landfill disposal (WAG bag or similar system), or buried in the snow at least 200' from any known water course. All toilet paper should be packed out.

Violation of these conditions is prohibited.

#### **SECTION 2.15 PETS**

- (a)(1) All areas are closed to the possession of pets, excluding service animals, with the following exceptions:
  - i) Developed areas
  - ii) Frontcountry campsites and picnic areas
  - iii) Road surfaces and shoulders (only when open to motor vehicles)
  - iv) Apgar/West Glacier Bicycle Path from headquarters to Apgar, when not a ski trail, except when this trail is posted "bear or mountain lion frequenting"
  - v) Fish Creek Bike Trail from the terminus of the Grist Road to the Fish Creek Road when not a ski trail, except when this trail is posted "bear or mountain lion frequenting".
  - vi) In vessels on lakes where motorized watercraft are permitted
- (a)(5) Pet excrement in campgrounds, picnic areas, and other developed areas must be collected and deposited in a trash receptacle by the person(s) in control of the pet(s).
- (e) Park residents may keep pets if approved in accordance with Glacier's Management Directive 2.1.

## **SECTION 2.16 HORSES AND PACK ANIMALS**

- (a) Designated pack animals include horses, mules, burros and llamas.
- (b) Horses and pack animals are permitted on all maintained trails officially designated in the park trail inventory, with the following exceptions:

| Area          | Horse and Pack Animal Trail Exclusions  |
|---------------|---|
| Lake McDonald | Avalanche Creek Trail (Avalanche CG to Avalanche Lake) Highline Trail (Logan Pass to Granite Chalet) Huckleberry Mountain Nature Trail Loop Parking Area to junction with the Granite Park Trail Sperry Glacier Trail (Sperry Chalet to Sperry Glacier) Trail of the Cedars |
| Two Medicine  | Cobalt Lake Spur Trail (from the Two Medicine Pass Trail) Dawson Pass Trail (Dawson to Cut Bank Pass Trail Junction)  |

|              | Running Eagle Nature Trail                                |
|--------------|---|
| St Mora      | Baring Falls Trail  |
| St. Mary     | Hidden Lake Nature Trail                                  |
|              | Apikuni Falls Trail                                       |
|              | Grinnell Glacier Trail                                    |
|              | Hidden Falls Trail  |
| Many Glacier | Hole in the Wall Spur Trail (from the Boulder Pass Trail) |
|              | Iceberg Lake hitch rail to Iceberg Lake                   |
|              | Josephine Lake Boardwalk                                  |
|              | Swiftcurrent Lake Nature Trail                            |
| Goat Haunt   | Spur Trail to Lake Francis (from Boulder Pass Trail)      |

- (c) Horses and pack animals are permitted on park roads when closed to motor vehicles with the following exceptions:
  - 1) Going-to-the-Sun Road west of the Continental Divide
  - 2) Camas Road
- (g) The following conditions have been established concerning the use of horses and pack animals:
  - 1) The day use limits for horse and pack animals shall be not more than ten animals in a party.
  - 2) Overnight stock limits for a specific campground may not be exceeded for day use stopovers. However in campgrounds that prohibit overnight use of stock, eight head may be taken into the immediate area for day use. Furthermore, parties which exceed a campground stock limit may pass through the area, but may not remain (example: a ten horse party may cross Brown Pass, but only eight head may stop in the area).
  - 3) An exception to the ten animal limit is made on the following trails due to special maintenance and other conditions. 20 animals are allowed on the:
    - i) Apgar Flats Trail (#272)
    - ii) Apgar Lookout Trail (#42)
    - iii) Apgar Mountain Loop Trail (#286)
    - iv) Avalanche Trail (#56)
    - v) Cracker Lake Trail (#1765)
    - vi) Granite Park Trail (#62) from Granite Park to Packer's Roost
    - vii) Gunsight Pass Trail (#52) from Lake McDonald to Sperry Chalet
    - viii) Josephine Lake and Grinnell Lake Horse Trails, including parts of trails: #113, #171, #171 and #174
    - ix) Red Gap Pass Trail (#154) to Poia Lake
    - x) Swiftcurrent Pass Trail (#157) from Many Glacier to Packer's Roost
    - xi) Upper McDonald Creek Trail (#59)
  - 4) Grazing by private stock, other than that which is incidental to travel along trails, is prohibited.
  - 5) The keeping of horses and pack animals overnight at Sperry and Granite Park Chalets is prohibited.
  - 6) The keeping of horses and pack animals at auto campgrounds is prohibited. Stock may be kept at Bowman Lake horse corral if prior arrangements have been made with the North Fork district Ranger.
  - 7) Horses and pack animals are prohibited in the camping sites in backcountry campgrounds.
  - 8) It is unlawful to transport straw or feed hay within the boundaries of Glacier National Park. The following exceptions apply:

- i) Transporting hay is permitted on U.S. Highway #2 where it passes through the southern portion of the park.
- ii) The Park's horse concessioner, the National Park Service, and Park inholders will be permitted to transport certified weed seed free hay to be fed <u>only</u> at frontcountry concessioner, NPS and inholder corral facilities.
- iii) Inholders and horse concessioners utilizing certified weed seed free straw or hay must provide proof of weed seed free certification prior to transporting straw or hay into and or within the external boundaries of the Park.
- 9) Overnight stock use in designated campgrounds is limited to one stock party per night.

## SECTION 2.20 SKATING, SKATEBOARDS, AND SIMILAR DEVICES

(a) The use of roller skates, roller skis, skateboards, coasting vehicles, or similar devices is prohibited except on paved roads or trails in the following areas:

- 1) The Apgar developed zone (Apgar Picnic Area to Lower McDonald Creek Bridge), **excluding** the Going-to-the-Sun Road and Camas Road.
- 2) The Apgar/West Glacier Bicycle Path.
- 3) Frontcountry campgrounds and picnic areas.
- 4) NPS residential areas.
- 5) All paved roads when closed to motor vehicles.

Use of these devices must comply with the same traffic regulations that apply to bicycles.

## **SECTION 2.21 SMOKING**

- (a) The following areas are closed to smoking:
  - 1) During periods of extreme fire danger, as established by fire weather data, restrictions will be placed upon smoking by backcountry users. Backcountry areas in which smoking is restricted or prohibited will be clearly signed.
  - 2) Smoking is prohibited in all government operated buildings in Glacier National Park which are open to the public, including restrooms located in all Park campgrounds, picnic areas and visitor centers and public amphitheaters and campfire circles where interpretive programs are held. This policy does not apply to concession facilities.
  - 3) Smoking is prohibited in all government operated buildings which are open to the public or used as employee office space or work sites. Break and lunch rooms previously designated as smoking areas may no longer be used for smoking. Smoking is also prohibited in shared government housing units that include non-smoking occupants. The designated inclement weather smoking location for park headquarters is the covered entryway located next to the bicycle rack. Employees smoking at the Logan Pass Visitor Center should use the bench closest to the ready room door.
  - 4) Smoking is not permitted in government vehicles.

## **SECTION 2.22 PROPERTY**

(a)(2) Vehicles may be parked in parking lots at or adjacent to trailheads for the duration of an approved backcountry permit.

## **SECTION 2.51 PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, MEETINGS**

Glacier National Park will provide adequate locations and means by which citizens may gather and exercise their rights to peaceful assembly under the 1<sup>st</sup> amendment. Glacier National Park will monitor 1st amendment activities to ensure the safety of visitors and resources, in a way that does not infringe on the lawful exercise of 1<sup>st</sup> amendment rights. Activities will be managed to reduce conflicts between groups, and to ensure that the activity does not infringe on the rights of other park visitors to be free of harassment, and to have full access to park areas.

Maps of designated areas for 1<sup>st</sup> amendment activities are attached to this document

## SECTION 2.52 SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATERIAL

Maps of designated areas for 1st amendment activities are attached to this document

## SECTION 3.3 AM I REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A PERMIT TO OPERATE A VESSEL IN A PARK AREA?

Yes. Glacier National Park requires a permit to launch any motorized or trailered vessel, except for hand propelled watercraft pursuant to Section 1.5 (a)(1)(v)a.

# SECTION 3.12 MAY I USE A VESSEL TO TOW A PERSON FOR WATER SKIING OR OTHER SIMILAR ACTIVITIES?

(a) The towing by vessels of persons with or without skis, on surfboards, sleds, tubes, excluding parasails, is permitted only on Lake McDonald and St. Mary Lake.

## SECTION 4.10 TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND DESIGNATED ROUTES

- (a) In the interest of public safety and the protection of resources, the following regulations apply to the use of Electronic Personally Assisted Mobility Devices (EPAMDs) in Glacier National Park:
  - (1) The use of an EPAMD is permitted on:
    - (i) Roads posted with speed limits of 35 miles an hour or less, except the Going to the Sun Road when opened to vehicular traffic.
    - (ii) Parking Areas
  - (2) The following are prohibited:
    - (i) Operating an EPAMD on the Going to the Sun Road when open to vehicular traffic.
    - (ii) Operating an EPAMD on designated accessible trails without a qualified disability, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.
      - A) The following park trails are accessible and authorized for EPAMD use by those with disabilities:
        - 1) The Apgar Bicycle/Hike Trail, located between Apgar and Headquarters (1.63 mile asphalt surface)
        - 2) Trail of the Cedars Nature Trail at Avalanche Campground (0.7 mile wood/asphalt surface)
        - 3) Running Eagle Falls Nature Trail (1800 foot stabilized soil surface)
        - 4) Lake McDonald Trail, located by the Lake McDonald Lodge boat dock (360 foot concrete surface)
        - 5) Oberlin Bend Trail (400 foot metal-grated surface)
        - 6) Goat Lick Overlook (400 foot asphalt surface)

- (iii) Operating an EPAMD during periods of low visibility, or while traveling through a tunnel, or between sunset and sunrise, without exhibiting on the operator or EPAMD a white light or reflector that is visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red light or reflector visible from at least 200 feet to the rear.
- (iv) Operating an EPAMD abreast of another EPAMD or bicycle except where authorized by the superintendent.
- (v) Operating an EPAMD while consuming an alcoholic beverage or carrying in hand an open container of an alcoholic beverage.
- (3) No person under 16 years of age may operate an EPAMD
- (4) A person shall operate an EPAMD in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed more than 8 mph ("Segway Sidewalk/Intermediate" key), so as not to endanger one's self or any other park visitor.
- (5) A person riding any mobility assisted device upon and along a sidewalk, while crossing a roadway in a crosswalk or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances, except that the mobility assistive device operator must always yield to pedestrians (park visitors).
- (6) Users of an EPAMD as a mobility assistance devise must display a disabled sticker which will be available at all entrance stations. Visitors using any mobility assisted device without a disabled sticker may be approached by a Park Ranger to substantiate that the device is being used for the sole purpose of mobility assistance as well as to offer any other special assistance. If not being used as a mobility assisted device, the user will be asked to exit the area.
- (7) EPAMD groups are limited to no more than four (4) EPAMD units per group and must remain on roads, parking areas, and, for disabled riders, on designated accessible trails.

## SECTION 4.11 LOAD, WEIGHT, LENGTH AND WIDTH LIMITATIONS

(b)(1) The maximum size limit allowed for all vehicles as well as combinations of vehicles and towed units (see exceptions below) traveling the Going-to-the-Sun Road between Avalanche Campground and Sun Point parking area and beyond the Cut Bank Ranger Station on the Cut Bank Valley Road is 21 feet in length (including bumpers) and/or 8.0 feet in width (including mirrors). The following exceptions apply:

- i) **NPS authorized** emergency, park maintenance, concession, contractors, delivery, and administrative vehicles.
- ii) Public stock transport vehicles accessing Packer's Roost, Siyeh Bend, Sunrift Gorge, and/or Gunsight horse ramp trailheads. Stock vehicles are not permitted to cross Logan Pass to access these areas.

## **SECTION 4.21 SPEED LIMITS**

- (b) The following speed limits have been established:
  - 1) The speed limit for all roads within campgrounds, picnic areas, and parking areas will be 10 mph.
  - 2) The speed limit for all unpaved park routes open to vehicle traffic, other than those addressed in sec 1) will be 20 mph.
  - 3) The speed limit for the alpine section of Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Packer's Roost Road to Lunch Creek will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.

- 4) The speed limits in congested areas along the Going-to-the-Sun Road, Many Glacier Road, Two Medicine Road and Chief Mountain Road will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 5) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Headquarters Junction to a point just east of the pedestrian/bicycle crossing east of the West Entrance will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 6) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the West Glacier Bridge (park boundary) to the Headquarters Junction will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 7) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from Sprague Creek Campground to a point 550 feet east of the east entrance of McDonald Lodge will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs, when the respective facilities are open. When Sprague Creek Campground and Lake McDonald Lodge are closed the speed limit will be 40 mph.
- 8) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from a point just east of Logan Creek to the Packer's Roost Road will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 9) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from a point just east of Avalanche Creek to just east of Red Rocks Point will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 10) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from Siyeh Bend to Lunch Ck will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 11) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from just west of St Mary Falls trailhead to just east of Sun Rift Gorge will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 12) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from just west of Wild Goose Island overlook to just east of Wild Goose Island overlook will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 13) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from just east of Wild Goose Island overlook to just east of Rising Sun will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 14) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from just west of St Mary campground to just east of the St Mary River bridge will be 35 mph, as designated byposted signs.
- 15) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from just east of the St Mary River bridge to the park boundary will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 16) The speed limit on the Hudson Bay Road, from the Going-to-the-Sun Road intersection to just east of the 1913 Ranger Station Road will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 17) The speed limit on the Many Glacier Road from the Park boundary to the Many Glacier Entrance Station will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 18) The speed limit on the Many Glacier Road from Sheep Curve to the Many Glacier Ranger Station will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.

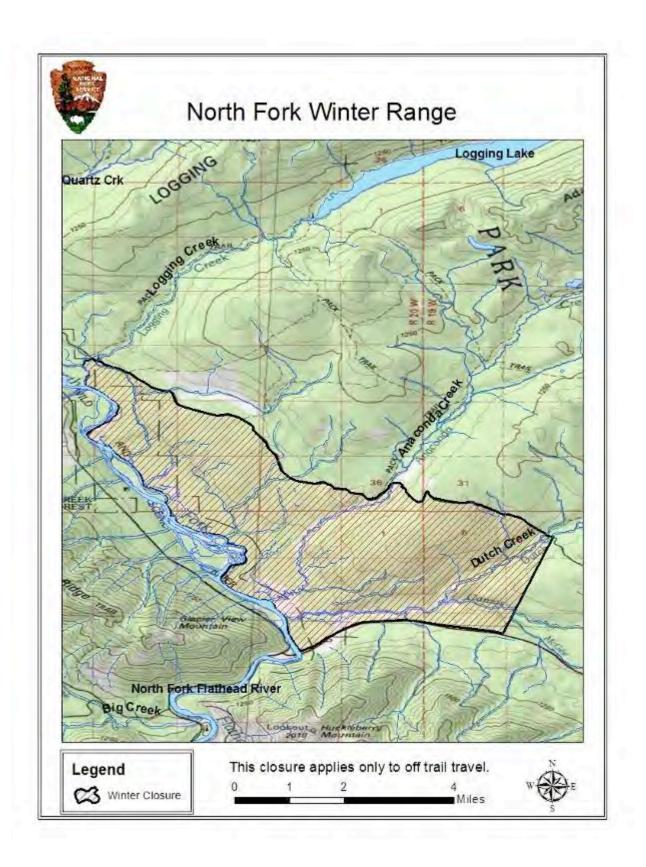
- 19) The speed limit on the Many Glacier Road from the Many Glacier Ranger Station Road to the Swiftcurrent parking area will be 15 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 20) The speed limit on the Two Medicine Road between Running Eagle falls and the Scenic Point trailhead will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 21) The speed limit on the Two Medicine Road from the Scenic Point trailhead to the campstore parking area will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 22) The speed limit on the Camas Road from the Apgar T-intersection to a point north of McDonald Creek will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 23) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Apgar Stable Road junction to a point just east of Logan Creek, excluding the road segment referred to in sec vii) will be 40 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- 24) The speed limit on Highway US 2 will be 55 mph.

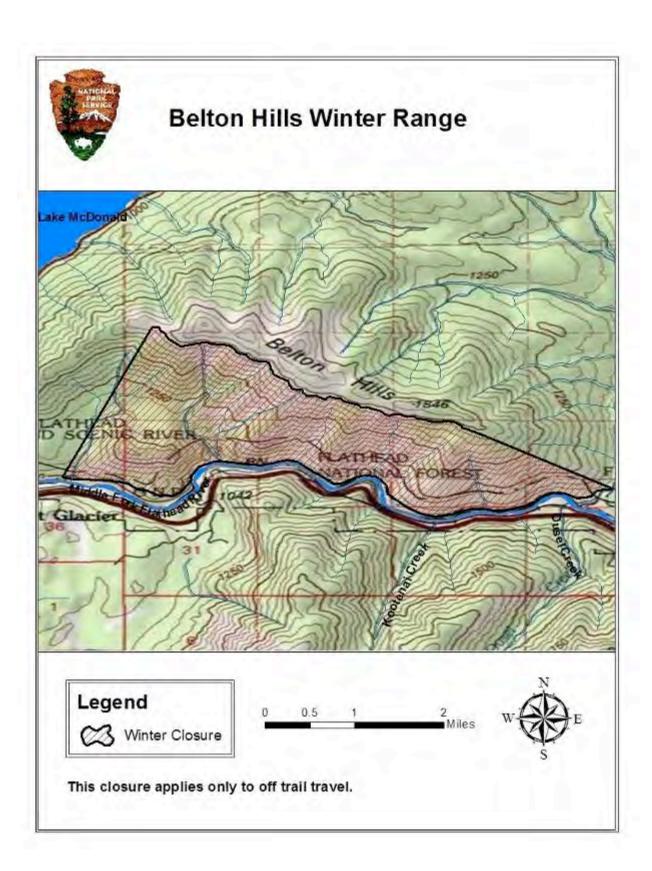
#### **SECTION 4.30 BICYCLES**

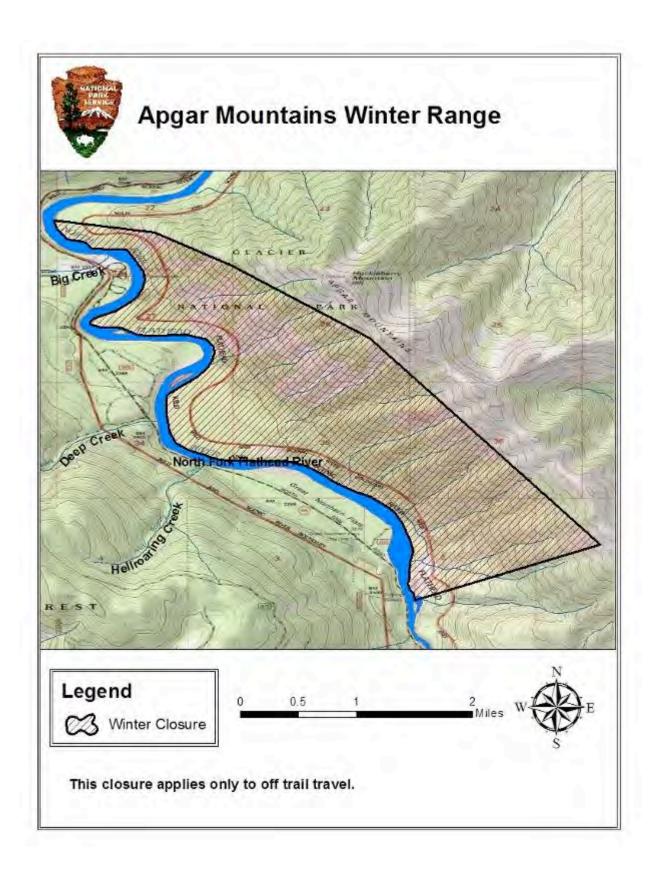
(b) The paved Apgar Bicycle Path from Headquarters to Apgar is designated a special use zone and is open to bicycle use, except when used as a ski trail.

#### **SECTION 4.31 HITCHHIKING**

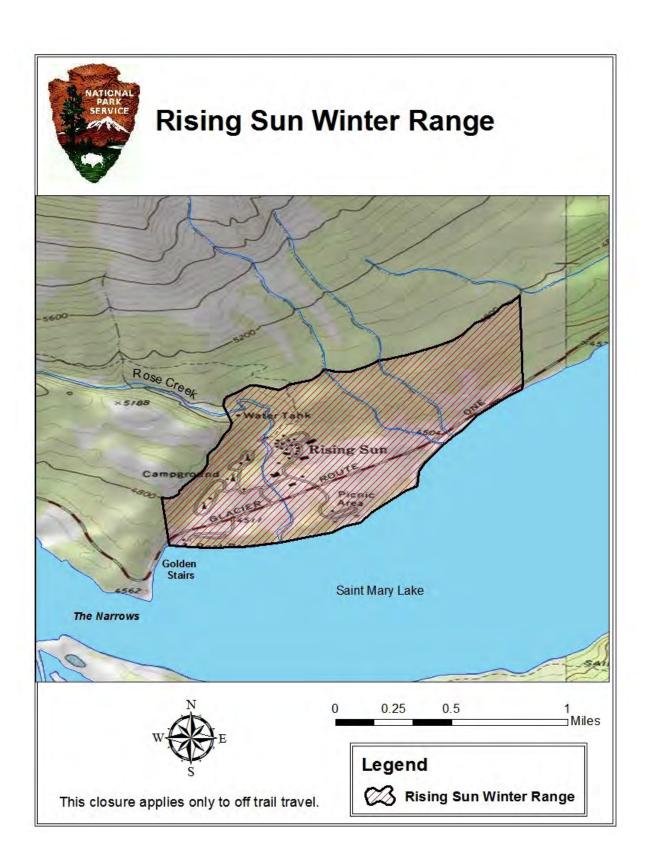
Hitchhiking is permitted, except within ½ mile of entrance stations, providing that there is sufficient space for vehicles to pull completely out of traffic lanes, and that public safety is not otherwise compromised.

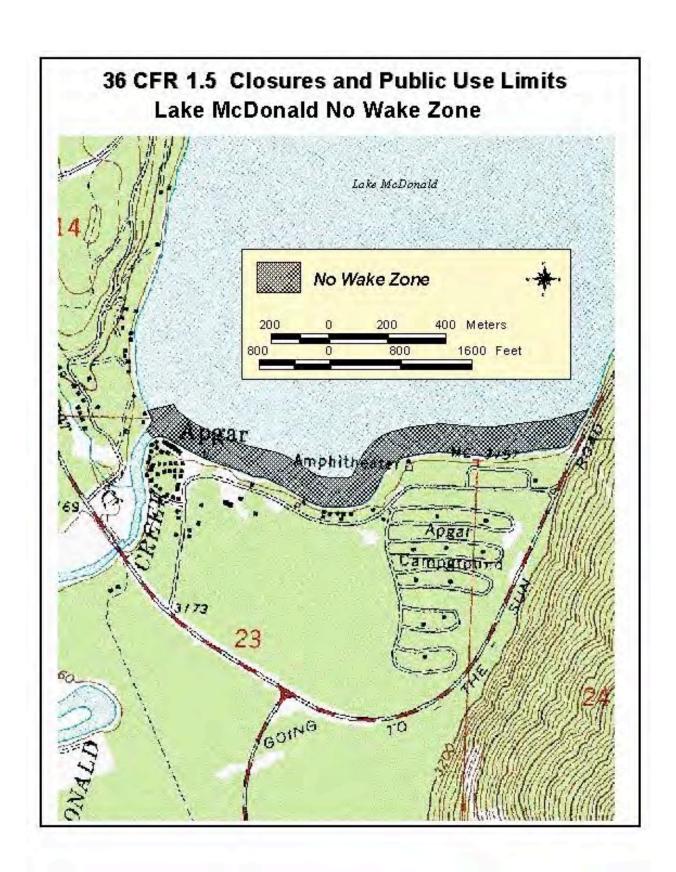


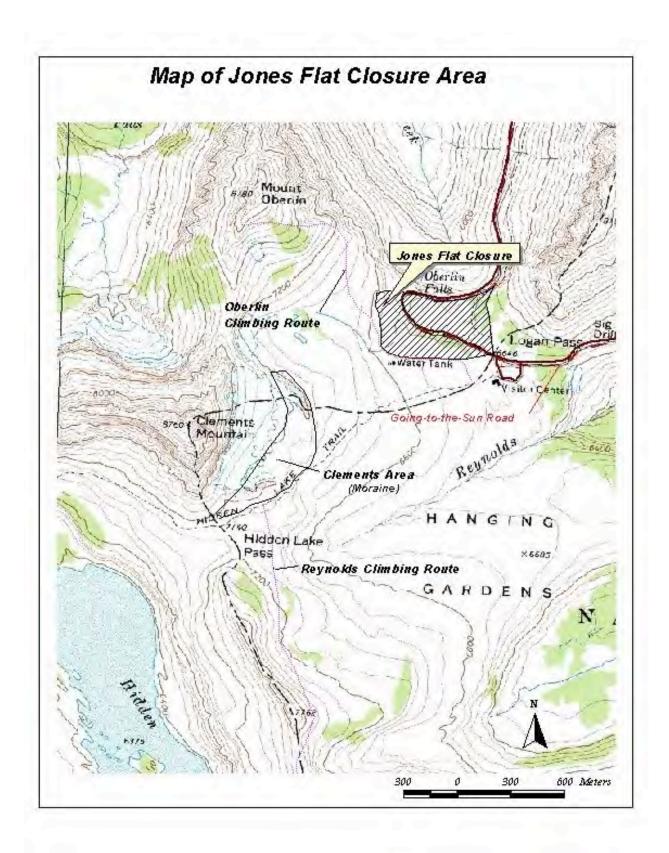


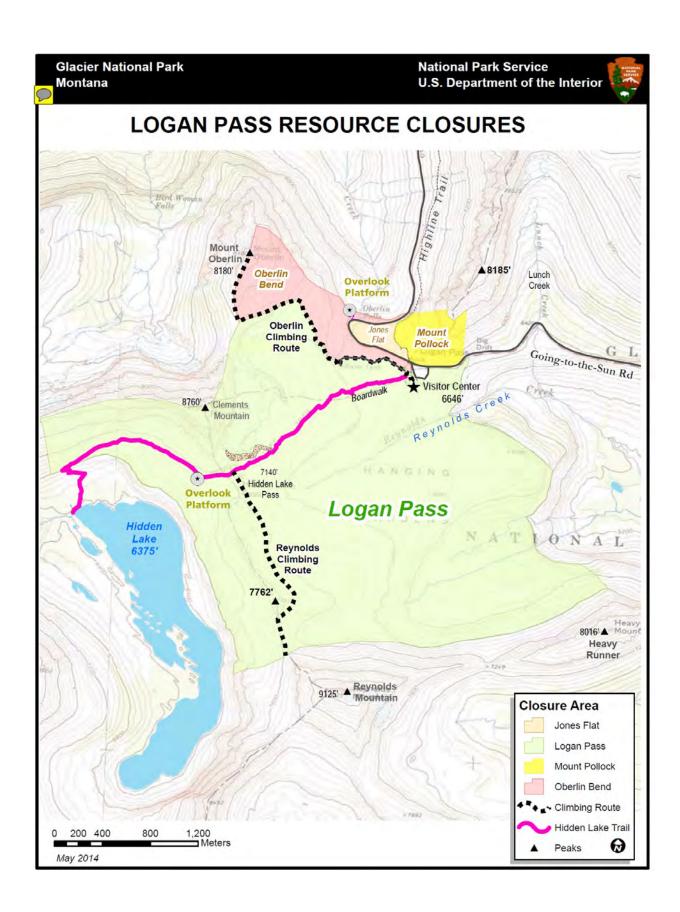


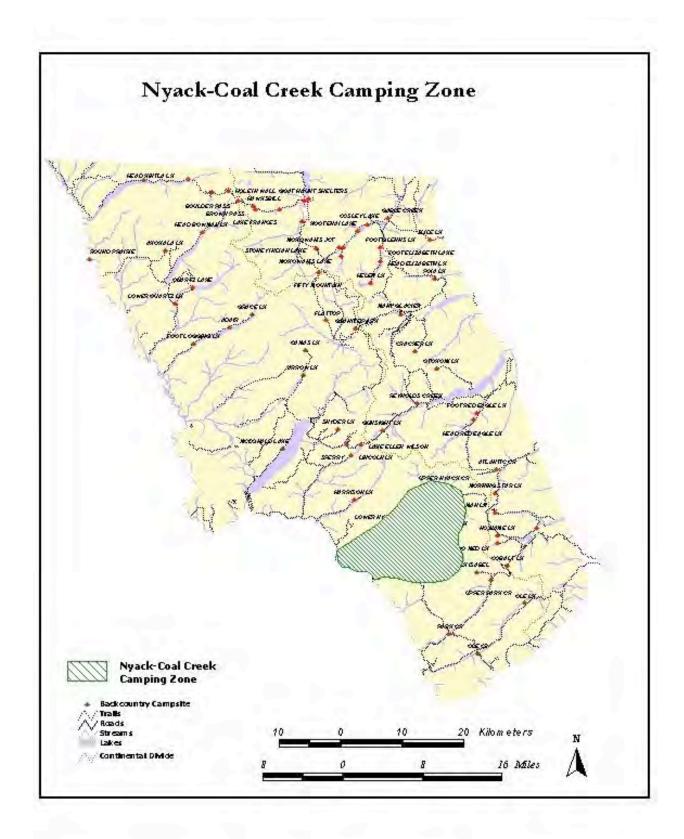


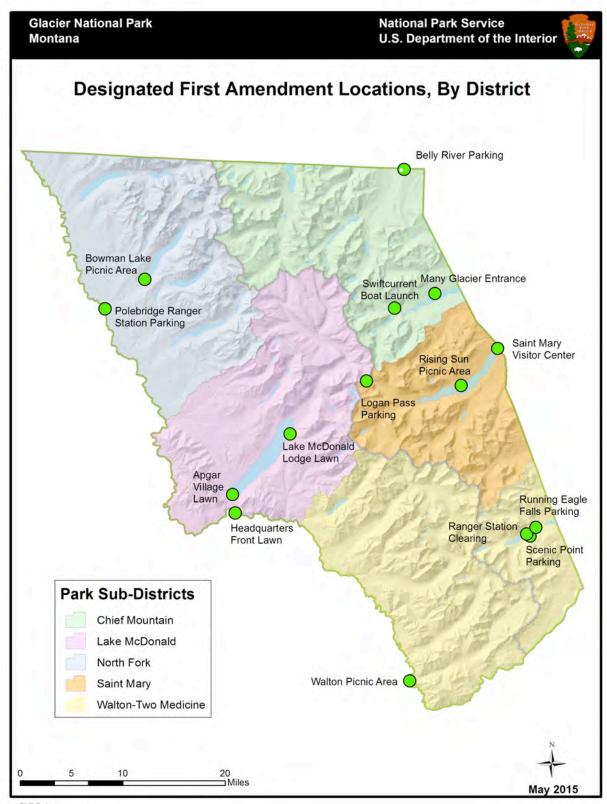








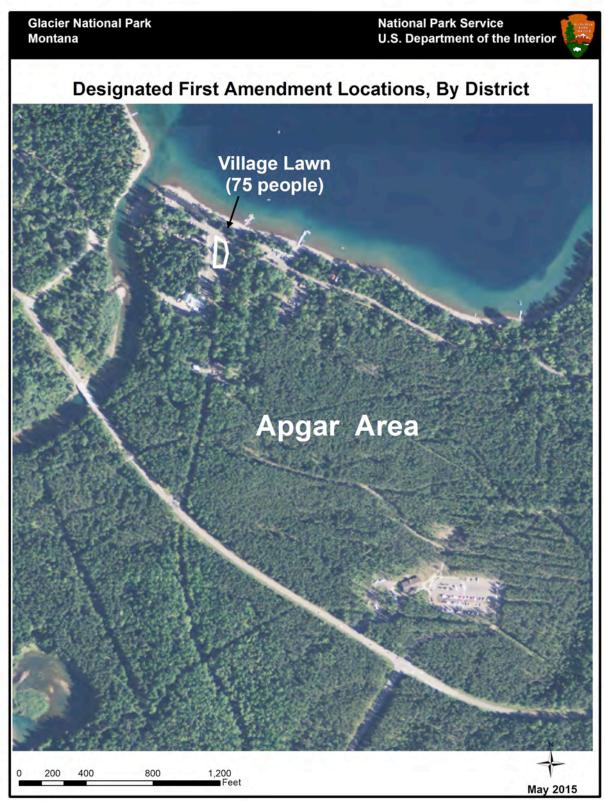




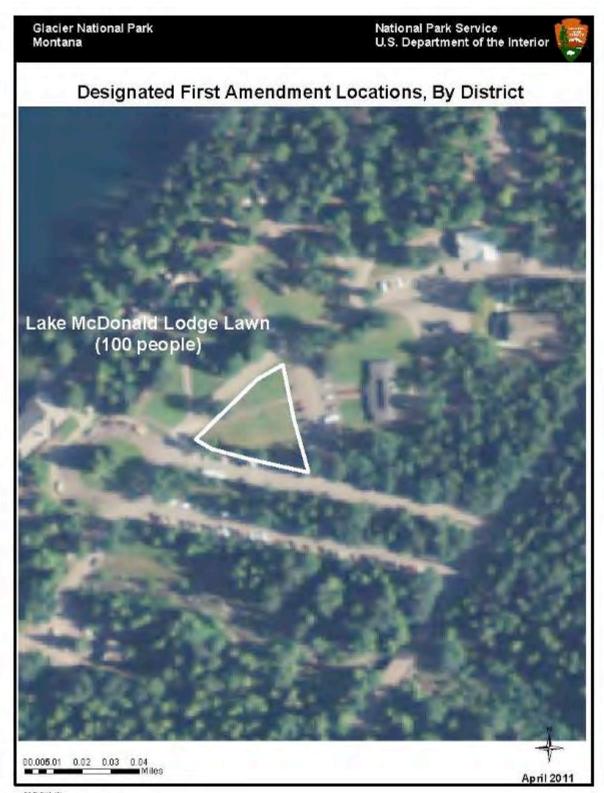
FILE: Projects FirstAmendmentSites\_Apr2011.mxd



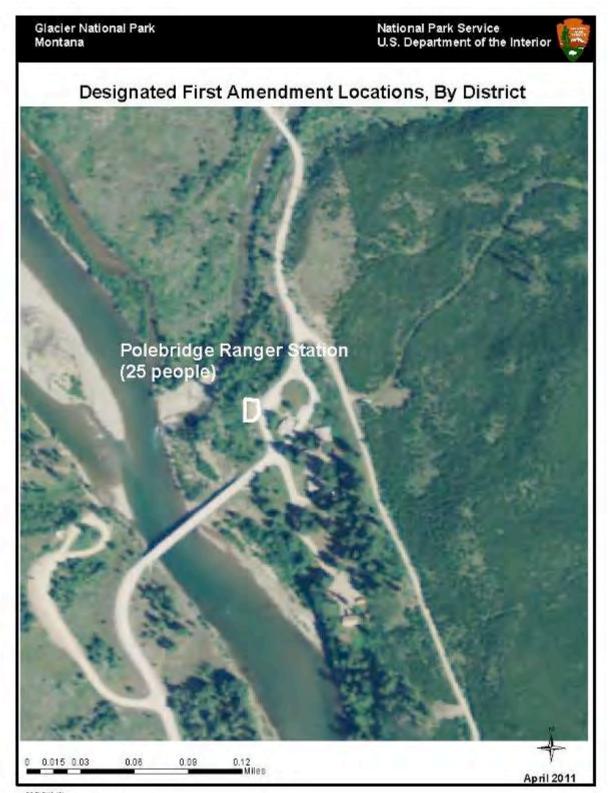
FILE Projects
Fits Vane schie (15/les\_Apr2011 mad



FILE: Projects FirstAmendmentSites\_Apr2011.mxd



FILE Projects
Fits Name with a 15 fex\_Apr2011 mad



FILE Projects
Fits Name with a 15 lbs\_Ap(2011 mad)



FILE Projects
Fits Name with a 15 february 15 february



FILE Projects
Fitstane some (Siles\_Apr2011 mad



FILE Projects
Fits Wineschie (15/lex\_Apr2011 mad



File Projects
Fits Wine some (16 lbx\_Ap(2011 in ad)



FILE Projects
Fits Vancation of 15 lbs\_Apr2011.nsd



FILE Projects
Fits Wineschie (15 lbx\_Ap(2011 mxd



FILE Projects
Fits Name with a 15 february 15 february



File Projects
Fits Wineschie (Siles\_Apri2011 mad



FILE Projects
Fit Water time (15/lex\_Apri2011 mad



File Projects
Fits Wine some (15 lbs\_Apr2011 mad